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The Editor
The Miami Herald
529 14th Street, Northwest
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Dear Sir:

In your Sunday, November 26th issue there is an article to which I take exception. It concerns further abuses on the United States intelligence community. First, please keep in mind that every abuse that befell this community came as a direct result of Presidential orders by Presidents Kennedy, Johnson and Nixon with no evidence on Ford yet. Our intelligence collection system is as good as you will find in the world, but how do you expect intelligent, highly trained personnel to stay on the job after being repeatedly abused and slandered by the press of this nation, including your own paper? Yes, we are having a hard time keeping men with excellent ability on hand, and, yes, we do have a hard time finding people who can understand assessment. But, if you and your brothers in the newspaper profession want to help the intelligence community in this country, for God's sake, get off their backs. Either support them or say nothing about it until you know more about it than your continuing writing evidences.

Sincerely,

Barry Goldwater
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EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT (O/DCI)

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To 13: As forward article and suggested DCI acknowledgment

Executive Secretary